



STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
THE RESOURCES AGENCY  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

## License for Diversion and Use of Water

APPLICATION 8423

PERMIT 4645

LICENSE 10580

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That

UNITED STATES - DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL MONUMENT  
C/O UNITED STATES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, WESTERN REGION  
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES, 450 GOLDEN GATE AVENUE  
BOX 36063, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94102

HAS made proof as of JANUARY 22, 1975 (the date of inspection)  
to the satisfaction of the State Water Resources Control Board of a right to the use of the water of  
AN UNNAMED SPRING (AKA THORNDIKE SPRING) IN INYO COUNTY

tributary to WILDROSE CANYON THENCE PANAMINT VALLEY

for the purpose of DOMESTIC USE

under Permit 4645 of the Board and that the right to the use of this water has been perfected  
in accordance with the laws of California, the Regulations of the Board and the permit terms; that the  
priority of this right dates from AUGUST 21, 1935 and that the amount of water to which  
this right is entitled and hereby confirmed is limited to the amount actually beneficially used for the stated  
purposes and shall not exceed FOUR HUNDRED (400) GALLONS PER DAY, TO BE DIVERTED FROM  
JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR.

THE POINT OF DIVERSION OF SUCH WATER IS LOCATED:

NORTH 900 FEET AND EAST 500 FEET FROM SE CORNER OF SE1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SECTION 35,  
T19S, R45E, MDB&M, BEING WITHIN SE1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SAID SECTION 35.

A DESCRIPTION OF LANDS OR THE PLACE WHERE  
SUCH WATER IS PUT TO BENEFICIAL USE IS AS FOLLOWS:

AT THORNDIKE CAMPGROUND WITHIN NW1/4 OF SE1/4 OF SECTION 35, T19S, R45E, MDB&M.

*Licensee shall allow representatives of the Board and other parties, as may be authorized from time to time by the Board, reasonable access to project works to determine compliance with the terms of this license.*

*All rights and privileges under this license, including method of diversion, method of use and quantity of water diverted are subject to the continuing authority of the Board in accordance with law and in the interest of the public welfare to prevent waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use or unreasonable method of diversion of said water.*

*Reports shall be filed promptly by licensee on appropriate forms which will be provided for the purpose from time to time by the Board.*

*The right hereby confirmed to the diversion and use of water is restricted to the point or points of diversion herein specified and to the lands or place of use herein described.*

*This license is granted and licensee accepts all rights herein confirmed subject to the following provisions of the Water Code:*

Section 1625. Each license shall be in such form and contain such terms as may be prescribed by the Board.

Section 1626. All licenses shall be under the terms and conditions of this division (of the Water Code).

Section 1627. A license shall be effective for such time as the water actually appropriated under it is used for a useful and beneficial purpose in conformity with this division (of the Water Code) but no longer.

Section 1628. Every license shall include the enumeration of conditions therein which in substance shall include all of the provisions of this article and the statement that any appropriator of water to whom a license is issued takes the license subject to the conditions therein expressed.

Section 1629. Every licensee, if he accepts a license does so under the conditions precedent that no value whatsoever in excess of the actual amount paid to the State therefor shall at any time be assigned to or claimed for any license granted or issued under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code), or for any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code), in respect to the regulation by any competent public authority of the services or the price of the services to be rendered by any licensee or by the holder of any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code) or in respect to any valuation for purposes of sale to or purchase, whether through condemnation proceedings or otherwise, by the State or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district, or any political subdivision of the State, of the rights and property of any licensee, or the possessor of any rights granted, issued, or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code).

Section 1630. At any time after the expiration of twenty years after the granting of a license, the State or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district, or any political subdivision of the State shall have the right to purchase the works and property occupied and used under the license and the works built or constructed for the enjoyment of the rights granted under the license.

Section 1631. In the event that the State, or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
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**ORDER**

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**ORDER AMENDING LICENSE**

**WHEREAS:**

1. License 10580 was issued to the United States National Park Service, Death Valley National Monument, and recorded at the office of the Inyo County Recorder on February 4, 1976.
2. License 10580 confers upon the United States National Park Service, Death Valley National Monument, an appropriative right to use water from an unnamed spring (aka Thorndike Spring) in Inyo County.
3. Fish and Game Code Section 5946 requires that the State Water Resources Control Board condition Licenses that authorize diversion of water in Department of Fish and Game District 4 ½ (Inyo and Mono Counties) to specify compliance with Section 5937 of the Fish and Game Code.
4. The License was issued without referencing compliance with Section 5937.
5. Since amendment of License 10580 to require compliance with Fish and Game Code Section 5937 is a ministerial action, this Order is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines in accordance with Section 21080 of the Public Resources Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

The following condition is added to this License:

In accordance with the requirements of Fish and Game Code Section 5946, this License is conditioned upon full compliance with Section 5937 of the Fish and Game Code.

Dated: - **JUNE 16 1997**

  
Walt Pettit  
Executive Director